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1. A meeting was held at 1400 hours this date in [ ] office with the following present: Messrs. Evans, Trezise, and Buford from State; [ ] and Knowles from CIA. The purpose of the meeting, as stated by [ ] was to get a meeting of minds relative to implementing an approved policy paper on International Communism within the NIS structure and to work out procedures through which FI and State might support each others efforts under the approved plans.

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2. After considerable discussion relative to the relationship between area studies involving communism and some sort of a supplement in which International Communism would be treated, it was agreed that State would produce proposals for an outline guide under the NIS and deliver it partly by Wednesday of this week to the Chairman of the NIS Committee. These then would, upon general concurrence of OBI, go out to the NIS Committee Members for agency approval. Included in this list would be components of CIA interested in the International Communism picture, USIA, and various components of other agencies.

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3. It was the general consensus that the area study of communism could be produced within the present NIS structure, principally in Section 57 and possibly in other sections such as 53, much as was done with psychological warfare requirements. With respect to the International Communism supplement there was rather vague discussion relative to its development. Mr. Evans felt that State could formulate requirements on this subject without too much difficulty.

4. In order to permit State's early recruitment of personnel required under this program State will develop a list of areas by priority for the area studies on communism which, of course, will be subject to NIS Committee approval. It was suggested that the JCS Priority List be followed to the extent possible in developing this list.

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5. Reference was made to the committee on International Communism to be set up under the IAC. There was some question as to the purpose to which this committee was to direct its efforts, but after further discussion it appeared that it could profitably spend some time in searching out additional source material for the development of International Communism studies and act as a policy committee to round out the full development of International Communism not only in the basic intelligence field, but in the current and estimates fields as well.

6. The meeting adjourned with the understanding that Mr. Trezise would call me as soon as State had its proposals ready.

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